

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT  
METHOD AND APPARATUS

Abstract of the Disclosure

An intellectual property management facility for  
5 proactively creating, developing and managing an  
intellectual property portfolio includes: determining  
available resource capacity for an intellectual property  
activity in a tracking system; assigning technical  
attributes to the activity in the tracking system;  
10 apportioning resource capacity for the activity by technical  
attribute based on the value assigned to each of the  
technical attributes and based on available resource  
capacity; obtaining actual resource usage by technical  
attribute from the tracking system; and managing resource  
15 allocation for the intellectual property activity by  
determining the difference between the actual resource usage  
and the resource allocation by technical attribute.